IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **CANCEL** claims 1-4 and 6-17.

Please **AMEND** claim 5 as follows:

5. (Amended) A device for connecting an electrode to a wire having an exterior sheath and a conductive core, comprising:

a first clamping part for pressing and securing the wire;

a second clamping part for pressing and securing the conductive core of the wire; and

a third clamping part for pressing and securing the electrode;

[The device of claim 2,] wherein said third clamping part has a [portion snap-fitted perpendicularly] snap-fit portion perpendicular to the first and second clamping parts.

Please **ADD** the following new claims:

--18. A device for connecting an electrode from a lamp shell to a wire having a conductive core, comprising:

an elongated first body part comprised of a flexible, conductive material, said elongated first body part having two pairs of arms; and

an elongated second body part integrally connected to said elongated first body part at an angle, said elongated second body part comprised of said flexible, conductive material, said elongated second body part including snap-fit arms dimensioned to receive and clamp said shell;

wherein a first pair of said arms are positioned on said elongated first body part to meet the wire, wherein said first pair of said arms are bendable to clinch the wire, wherein a

second pair of said arms are positioned on said elongated first body part to meet the conductive core, and wherein said second pair of said arms are bendable to clinch the conductive core.

19. A device according to claim 18, wherein said angle is 90 degrees.

20. A device according to claim 18, wherein said flexible, conductive material can be crimped.

21. A device according to claim 18, wherein said flexible, conductive material can be soldered.

22. A device according to claim 21, wherein said first pair of said arms can clinch said wire sufficiently hard that solder is prevented from flowing up said wire.

23. A device for connecting an electrode from a lamp shell to a wire having a conductive core, comprising:

an elongated first body part comprised of a flexible, conductive material, said elongated first body part having two pairs of arms; and

an elongated second body part integrally connected to said elongated first body part at an angle, said elongated second body part comprised of said flexible, conductive material, said elongated second body part including snap-fit portions dimensioned to receive and clamp said electrode;

wherein a first pair of said arms are positioned on said elongated first body part to meet the wire, wherein said first pair of said arms are bendable to clinch the wire, wherein a second pair of said arms are positioned on said elongated first body part to meet the conductive core, and wherein said second pair of said arms are bendable to clinch the conductive core.

24. A device according to claim 23, wherein said angle is 90 degrees.

25. A device according to claim 23, wherein said flexible, conductive material can be crimped.

26. A device according to claim 23, wherein said flexible, conductive material can be soldered.

27. A device according to claim 26, wherein said first pair of said arms can clinch said wire sufficiently hard that solder is prevented from flowing up said wire.

28. A device for connecting an electrode from the shell of a lamp to a wire having a conductive core, comprising:

an elongated body part comprised of a flexible, conductive material, said elongated body part having two pairs of arms and an opening near an end of said elongated body part, wherein a first pair of said arms are positioned on said elongated body part to meet the wire, wherein said first pair of said arms are bendable to clinch the wire, wherein a second pair of

B3 said arms are positioned on said elongated body part to meet the conductive core, wherein said second pair of said arms are bendable to clinch the conductive core, and wherein said opening is dimensioned to receive the electrode.

29. A device according to claim 28, wherein said flexible, conductive material can be crimped.

Cont'd A2 30. A device according to claim 28, wherein said flexible, conductive material can be soldered.

31. A device according to claim 30, wherein said first pair of said arms can clinch said wire sufficiently hard that solder is prevented from flowing up said wire.--

REMARKS

Claims 5, and new added claims 18-31 are pending in the subject application. Claims 1-4 and 6-17 are cancelled without prejudice. Claim 5 was amended to be in independent form, including the limitations of its base claim. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended and in view of the following comments, are respectfully requested.

The November 30, 2000 Office Action objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R.1.83(a) for not showing every feature of the invention specified in the claims. In particular, elements in claims 7-9 and 13-17 were identified as not being shown. As those claims are cancelled, the 37 C.F.R.1.83(a) objections are moot.